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In re the Application of:

Masaki UKAI

Serial No. 09/532,275

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RESPONSE TO COMMUNICATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Communication that was mailed on July 30, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on August 30, 2003. August 30, 2003 being a Saturday, this Amendment is timely filed by Monday, September 2, 2003.

In the Communication that was mailed on July 30, 2003, the Examiner indicated that the June 12, 2003 Amendment was not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because the Examiner did not believe that the March 21, 2000 Preliminary Amendment had been entered.

Therefore, the Applicant is attaching hereto a copy of the Preliminary Amendment (2 pages) and a copy of the date-stamped postcard evidencing its filing on March 21, 2000 (1 page) (see "Prel. Amd." on line 2 thereof).

There being no further objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance, which action is courteously requested. Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned

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to attend to these matters. If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Response, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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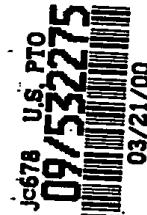
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